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Gingrich speaks to students

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ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

Former Speaker of the House and current Republican Presidential candidate Newt Gingrich spoke in the Jones County Junior College Fine Arts Auditorium March 9.

On Super Tuesday, out of the 10 states that held Republican primaries, Gingrich won only his home state of Georgia. The Associated Press reported that Gingrich rejected calls from supporters of fellow candidate, Rick Santorum, who wanted Gingrich to quit the race so Santorum could compete more fiercely against Mitt Romney. Gingrich decided to stay in the race because he felt he had a strong chance to capture the rest of the Southern state's mostly Republican votes.

"Jones County was chosen as a venue because of our strong Republican base," said Marlo Dorsey, JCJC vice president of Marketing.

During his speech, Gingrich talked about how times have changed since JCJC's first year in 1911.

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Newt Gingrich, a Republican Presidential candidate for the 2012 election, smiles as he speaks to Jones students about his policies. PHOTO BY RYAN PHILLIPS



Pleas Sumrall and Virginia Smith are named 2012 Mr. and Miss JCJC
PHOTO BY RYAN PHILLIPS

Students elect Mr. and Miss JCJC

TERESA MARTIN
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Students at Jones County Junior College recently chose two people best representing the college as Mr. and Miss JCJC. This honor is bestowed upon a sophomore who not only is involved in college activities, but who also exemplifies Jones and is considered a role model by their peers.

Students campaigned using various methods of marketing from posters, Facebook campaigns, and appealing to the taste buds of students with candy and baked goods.

Quitman's Virginia Smith was chosen as the 2011-12 Miss JCJC. The Honor's College student is involved in choir, the Eco-Bobcat Club, PTK, Student Government Association and the Baptist Student

Union, and she is one of the drum majors for the Maroon Typhoon marching band. The nutrition major plans to transfer to USM.

"I really love Jones," said Smith. "I love the teachers and students. This is home for me. I'm blessed to be named Miss JCJC."

Smith is the daughter of Joette and Berry Smith.

The title of Mr. JCJC was given to Richton's Pleas Sumrall. He is a member of the Bobcat Brigade, Jones Ambassadors, Engineering Club, and the Baptist Student Union, and he is a band manager. Between his activities and academics, Sumrall finds time to work at McDonald's in Petal. His goal is to transfer to USM and get a doctorate in social work.

"I think I got votes by just being my

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JCJC handles bomb threat

TREVOR GRAY
NEWS EDITOR

On Feb. 7, Jones County Junior College was called into full emergency mode to handle an alleged bomb threat on campus.

The Industrial Services Building and the Library were evacuated after the bomb threat was discovered in the bathroom of the Industrial Services building shortly after 9 a.m.

Marlo Dorsey, vice president of marketing at JCJC, said, "Students discovered something on campus that led to contacting the campus police, who are fully trained officers of the law... They have full authority to enforce the law whenever they need to."

Additional details of the incident cannot be disclosed but have been provided to law enforcement authorities.

Upon knowledge of the bomb threat, the campus police evacuated the areas of concern and questioned

all students from those areas regarding information possibly related to the threat. No one came forward with any information.

JCJC administrators had received ample preparation for such an incident a year earlier.

"We underwent training last year through a program called NIMS (National Incident Management System). It is offered through FEMA," Dorsey said. "Several of us including campus police officers... and several senior administrators went through that training to get certification in emergency response."

Dorsey said, "Utilizing that training that day really allowed us all to get on the same page very quickly where we were able to coordinate efficiently with our local, regional and state emergency response teams to do the best we could to ensure the safety of our students, and of course protect life and property. In the day and age we live in, any incident that is not immediately deemed a prank, you have



Marlo Dorsey, JCJC vice president of marketing, talks about the alleged bomb threat. PHOTO BY TIFFANY ODOM

to take with full seriousness, and it's our job to do so. We are very fortunate that everything turned out the way it did in a matter of hours."

Several different emergency agents responded to the threat, 11 in total, to ensure the safety of the students on campus. All of the agencies arrived on campus in a matter of minutes.

The agencies searched the buildings and found neither a bomb nor

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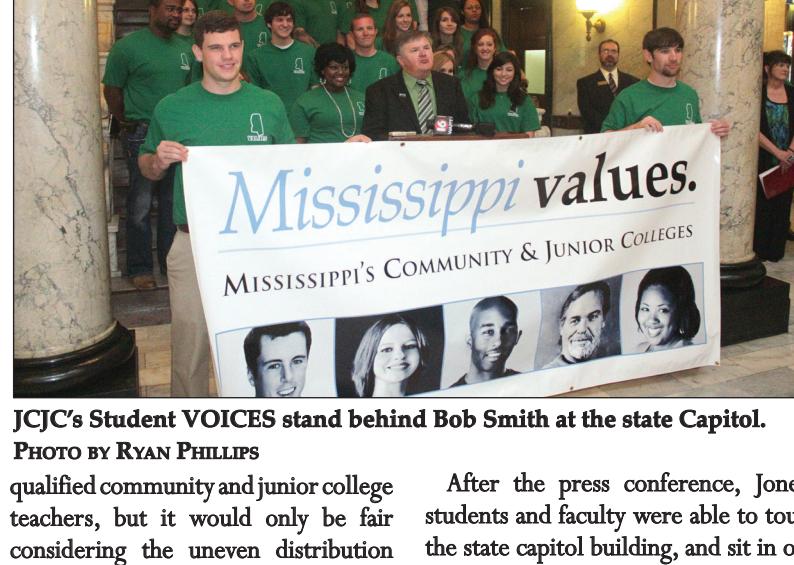
Student VOICES visit state Capitol

ERIN HOWELL
STAFFWRITER

JCJC Student VOICES delegates, along with their sponsors Caren Griffin and Marlo Dorsey, several faculty members, guests and JCJC President Dr. Jesse Smith, traveled to Jackson March 20 to join 200 others for the Mississippi Association of Community and Junior Colleges' community college Capitol Day.

The day began with an entitled "Mississippi Values" press conference centered around the main focus of the 2012 student VOICES group, a request for mid-level funding for all Mississippi community and junior colleges by fiscal year 2013. The conference consisted of several speakers, including Dr. Eric Clark, executive director of the Mississippi Community College Board; Bob Smith, president of the Mississippi Faculty Association of Community and Junior Colleges and various other collegiate spokesmen, each backed by an entire stair flight of student VOICES delegates.

Each speaker used a unique tactic to reiterate the need for mid-level funding. They said not only would the funding be beneficial for a more conducive educational experience, as well as boost the pay for higher



JCJC's Student VOICES stand behind Bob Smith at the state Capitol.

PHOTO BY RYAN PHILLIPS

qualified community and junior college teachers, but it would only be fair considering the uneven distribution of educational funding in Mississippi. The FY 2012 distribution of educational funding is already leaving community and junior colleges, which serve more than 83,000 students, in the dust. According to data from FY 2010, the state gave K-12 72.3 percent, or \$4,638 per student; public universities 20.6 percent, or \$6,648 per student; and community and junior colleges only 7.1 percent, or \$3,277 per student.

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After the press conference, Jones students and faculty were able to tour the state capitol building, and sit in on a senatorial session. During this time, they spoke with several area senators and representatives and expressed some of their thoughts on the mid-level funding request.

"There is a great need for mid-level funding for the community colleges throughout the state, and while we are in tough economic times, our elected officials have not fulfilled their own

SGA elects new officers

CASSIE DiMAURO
STAFFWRITER

Student Government Association elections were March 26 and 27, 2012 for student body president, vice-president and secretary/treasurer. DePaul Foxworth was named student government president, Maken McAlpin vice president and Marlee Mood as secretary/treasurer.

DePaul Foxworth, who has served as the current freshman president, was the only candidate running for president this year, while new names appeared on the ballot for the other positions. Maken

McAlpin and Cortez Smith ran for vice president; and Chante' Musgrave, Kristin Blair and Marlee Mood ran for secretary/treasurer.

Candidates who ran for these positions had to be members of the incoming freshman class, attended a minimum of one semester at JCJC and must have maintained an academic average of 2.5 on an average of 12 semester hours.

At Jones, SGA serves as a coordinating agent for other organizations and clubs on campus. The students running for officers are the backbone of this responsibility. They are required to meet weekly with



SGA officers are, from left to right, Marlee Mood, Secretary/Treasurer, DePaul Foxworth, President, Maken McAlpin Vice President. PHOTO BY TERESA MARTIN

the vice president of Student Affairs and serve on various faculty committees.

Students elected for these positions become the link between the student body and

the school's administration, allowing the participation of students in the institutional decision-making process.

The new officers will take their position in the Fall.

Students donate blood for JCJC spring blood drive

TREVOR GRAY
NEWS EDITOR

From March 26 - March 28, Jones County Junior College teamed up with the United Blood Services to have their annual spring blood drive, collecting 311 units of red blood cells.

The week prior to the blood drive, March 19-23, students across the JCJC campus helped raise awareness and enlist volunteer donors. Mistie Tolbert, a student at Jones, campaigned extensively in Jones Hall while Bobcat Brigade set up a booth in the C.L. Neil Student Center.

The theme for this spring's drive was "Stick out your paw and donate," the same as last year's; however, students and faculty may have noticed an unofficial advertisement for the blood drive that was spotted along campus: "Donate Yo' Blood," went along well with the laid back atmosphere of the weeks prior to Spring Fever.

There were many benefits

for students who decided to donate blood this semester. Beverly Clark, senior donor and recruitment representative in this region for UBS, said that 400 bonus points would be given to all donors. These points would be redeemable on the UBS website, www.unitedbloodservices.org. All donors also received a United Blood Services t-shirt. The greatest possible benefit of giving blood, however, is the ability to save not just one life, but up to three.

The goal for the spring blood drive was to collect 150 units from donors. Clark said that type O blood was in the most demand because any blood type can use them; however, donors with types A, B, or AB were encouraged to give either blood, or even more so, platelets.

Red blood cells are generally seen as the stars of the blood drive, and when most people think of a blood drive, they think of donating either whole blood or double reds;



Anthony Luker gives blood as his grandmother and JCJC employee, Patricia Skaggs, gives support. PHOTO BY RYAN PHILLIPS

however, platelet donations

donors can give platelets or plasma.

Recent discoveries have changed what was previously considered bad food for blood donors.

"We've always found out that eating a hearty meal ahead of time [helps], but just this year, we're doing a survey on

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evidence of a bomb. By this point students were notified via email and text message that no bomb was discovered on campus. The Library and Industrial Services Building remained closed.

The day after the incident, an incident debriefing session took place on campus in which the emergency response teams came to campus to review the event in detail. Dorsey expressed her gratitude that the school closely followed procedure throughout the entire time of the incident.

"It's so comforting to know that these people stand behind

you when facing a situation like this. Anytime you are in emergency operations mode, you want to stick to procedure as closely as possible so that everyone is on the same page," Dorsey said. "You don't want to deviate from that because that's when you can create chaos in an already chaotic environment."

This debriefing gave all who were involved the opportunity to come together and collectively discuss how to ensure that incidents like the alleged bomb threat do not occur again. Dorsey said that it is much better for someone with limited knowledge of the event to say the school overreacted than for someone

to say that the school under-reacted and put students in danger.

"I went home that night and I laid my head on my pillow, and I had a great night's sleep because I knew that we did everything we could to follow procedure and ensure the safety of the students and our community."

Dorsey said that the college would like to improve communications with students during a potential crisis.

"Something we saw that we could have done better was to make sure that our students subscribe to our emergency text notification. That's a free service and we want every student to do that," Dorsey said. "One of the things

that came out of our group session was to try to get 100% participation out of our emergency notification system just so that we can believe we are doing everything possible to keep our students informed."

Dorsey said that the students that did have it were informed and that emergency notifications were also sent via email in addition to website updates.

Harold Wayne Hadley Jr. of Seminary, the student who allegedly wrote the bomb threat, was discovered by the Mississippi Bureau of Investigation in his apartment following the evacuation of the buildings. Hadley's case is pending.

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friendly self," explained Sumrall. "However, I

know this title comes with responsibility because it means I represent Jones as a whole."

He is the son of April and Pleas Sumrall.

Gingrich

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"Modern times would have seemed like a miracle in 1911," said Gingrich, relating JCJC's 100 years to the current fear many citizens seem to share, "but [Today] we are in grave danger of the government presiding over us, rather than serving us."

Gingrich also spoke on the big Republican concern of drilling in the United States. He vowed to create an American energy plan that guarantees no American President to ever again have to "bow to a Saudi King." Gingrich proposes that under his presidency, gasoline prices

will decrease to \$2.50 per gallon, a price he says has not been seen since the beginning of President Obama's term.

Gingrich also plans to create jobs. To do so, he promises to cut taxes by abolishing the Capital Gains Tax, the Death Tax, reduce the corporate tax to 12.5% and to enact a 15% optional flat tax for individuals. Gingrich also says to create more jobs regulatory costs have to be cut by repealing Obamacare, replacing the EPA and reforming the FDA. Gingrich claims more jobs will be created when deficits are reduced. He plans to reduce the deficits by cutting spending, reforming entitlements and lowering

JCJC hosts scholar and math bowls

LYNDSEY HUGHES
STAFFWRITER

JCJC offers scholarly competitions for high school students, including the annual Math Bowl and Scholars' Bowl.

The 2012 Scholars' Bowl Tournament was held in the Ronald E. Whitehead Advanced Technology Center (ATC) at JCJC. Presbyterian Christian School came in first place with

a prize of \$2,000. Evan Cole was an individual winner from Presbyterian Christian School, and he won a laptop donated by Howard Computers. In second place was South Jones High School, which won \$1,000.

The 2012 High School Scholars' Bowl Tournament was hosted March 6, 2012, by the JCJC Social Science Division.

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Hinton speaks to NTSA

CASSIE DiMAURO
STAFFWRITER

Amy Hinton, Non Traditional Student Association volunteer sponsor and JCJC faculty member, spoke at the March workshop held by the NTSA at the NTSA Success Center.

These workshops are held every month for non-traditional students to help them on their road to success. Hinton showed students how to make a resume that would appeal to office-related jobs.



Amy Hinton speaks to NTSA group. PHOTO BY TIFFANY ODOM

Hinton, who has been a faculty member for 13 years,

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Band performs spring concert

ERIN HOWELL
STAFFWRITER

The JC band's Spring Concert will be held April 10 at 7 p.m. in the Fine Arts Auditorium. After a semester of rehearsals, the concert will showcase some of the best of the JCJC Fine Arts department has to offer. The free concert is a great opportunity to see "the other side of the Maroon Typhoon," said director Sammy Barr.

The concert, which is also in line with the JCJC centennial, will be comprised of performances by both the concert and symphonic bands with music selections that highlight the changes in musical

century.

In the spring, the Maroon Typhoon members perform in the concert and symphonic bands. The concert band, which can also be seen doubling as the basketball pep band, will perform their concert show. The symphonic band, which is primarily a concert performing group, will play six songs in styles varying from early 1900s band stand to contemporary, including one piece "The Water is Wide," which was arranged for symphonic band by Luigi Zaninelli, composer-in-residence at the University of Southern Mississippi.

For more information, contact the JCJC Fine Arts Department at (601) 477-4094.

Thespians to perform in April

KATIE QUINNELLY
FEATURES EDITOR

Little Shop of Horrors and Chicago. She is also the director assistant for choir.

Thespian Experience is a showcase of the skills learned in theater workshop class.

At the end of each semester, students calibrate with each other to create a cabaret style performance with monologue, song, skits and dances. They are involved in every aspect of the showcase including sound and lighting design.

"This is a wonderful opportunity for the students to experience the other side of theater. Not only do they get to perform, but they also do their own design for their particular skit," said Johnson.

This free event will be held in the Fine Arts Auditorium May 7 at 6 p.m.

taxes, which he says will actually increase revenue.

An estimated 800 people came to Jones to hear Gingrich speak. JCJC President Dr. Jesse Smith said that the college was contacted two days prior to Gingrich's visit as a potential speaking venue. After the stop was confirmed later that evening, JCJC staff began preparations for the candidate's arrival.

"One reason we were so compelled to have him on campus is because he was a professor," said Smith. "In addition, the event gave students a first hand view of the political process."

We thought it would be very enlightening to the students."

This is the second time the college has been a speaking venue during presidential primaries. Jones hosted President Clinton in 2008 when he was campaigning for his wife, Hillary.

During Mississippi's primary on March 13, Gingrich came in second to Santorum. Although many expected Gingrich to drop out of the race, he traveled to Illinois after the Southern loss he was hoping would push him ahead, claiming he would not leave the party that needed him because Romney and Santorum could not win against Obama. The Presidential hopeful said he will stay in the race and continue to fight for votes.

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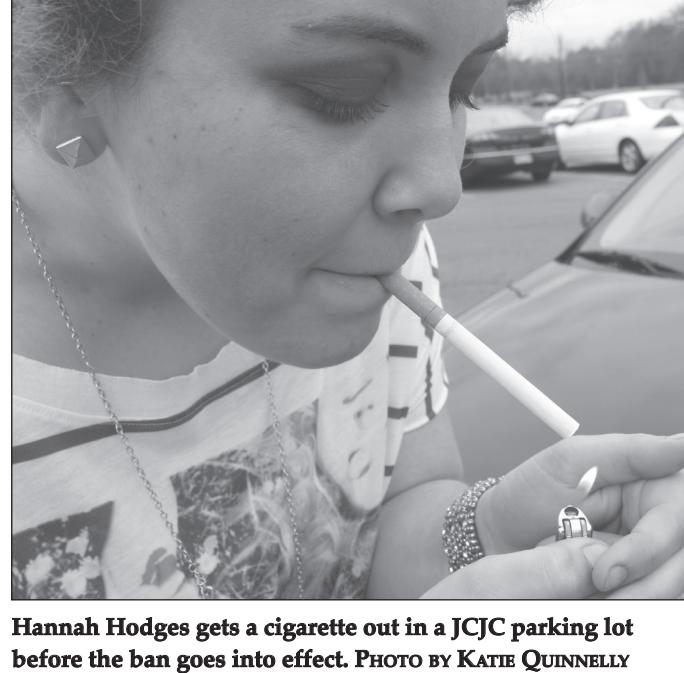
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Benefits of smoking ban are hazy

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As of July 31, 2012, JCJC will ban smoking on campus. This policy is quite different from the current smoking policy that Jones has in place which allows smokers to get their fix on campus as long as it is in a parking lot.

At first glance this seems like a great idea. No smoking means no secondhand smoke and no more sitting by that sketchy guy in class who always smells like moldy lasagna and an ashtray. Less litter from cigarette butts is also a foreseeable benefit from this new decree. But what about smokers who can't make it through their full time class schedule each day without having a cigarette between one of his or her classes? And students who live on campus would be forced to quit smoking or drive or walk off of campus in order to simply have



Hannah Hodges gets a cigarette out in a JCJC parking lot before the ban goes into effect. PHOTO BY KATIE QUINNELL

a smoke.

I've personally witnessed a longtime, pack-and-a-half-a-day smoker give up cigarettes. It was pretty hard to watch. They were irritable, quick

to snap, and snacked quite a bit. Some people simply need to smoke in order to properly function in daily life. The performance of smoking students has the potential to

greatly suffer when they are forced to give up their vice while on campus.

If a tuition paying, rule-abiding dorm student gets penalized or, worst-case scenario, evicted from the dorms and withdrawn from school because he or she snuck a cigarette behind the math building — away from anyone else who could potentially breathe in smoke by accident, mind you — it would be completely outrageous. Bear in mind that this scenario is very unlikely to happen. I would expect Jones to merely issue the rule breaker a ticket, a slap on the wrist, and a warning not to do it again.

A teacher once informed me that JCJC has the highest tobacco usage rate of any other junior college in the state. While I have no legitimate proof of this statistic, let us assume that my instructor told me the truth. Could

this possibly be the reason why the Administration has been pushing so hard on the whole "No Smoking" issue, or have there actually been enough complaints from students and/or faculty that the Administration put two different smoking policies into action within one school year? I highly doubt that the real reason behind these new policies is the latter of the two but that does not necessarily mean I personally believe it is 100 percent the former. All I can vouch for is that in my two and a half semesters at Jones and my frequent visits during high school, I have never had the misfortune of having smoke forcibly blown down my throat by a random person enjoying a cigarette on campus.

Whatever the reason might be, I believe this is the wrong move for JCJC to make. I believe the current policy of restricting smokers to parking

lots is a great system to have in place. I personally do not spend my time randomly standing in the limited number of parking lots here on campus, so there is little to no chance that I will "choke on your smoke."

With this policy in effect, I'm rather confident that students, faculty, and many other members of the JCJC community will continue to find a way to have the occasional smoke, which is absolutely fine with me. If you are an adult age 18 or older, you can legally treat your body how you please. So light up that Marlboro. Enjoy that corncob pipe. Be a gent with that \$50 cigar you bought with your financial aid refund that tax payers graciously provided for you. As long as it is in a designated area or even anywhere on campus but in my face, I honestly do not care if anybody smokes. I have grades and gas money to worry about.

Differing ideas should be heard

SETH HUSTON
OPINIONS EDITOR

Freedom of speech is a messy right. It is only needed when someone says something controversial or unpopular.

Perhaps the most common kind of controversial statement is when someone in the public eye expresses a dogmatic belief (a belief which claims to be absolute, exclusive truth). One example of this would be Tim Tebow's numerous comments about his faith, as well as his habit of kneeling in prayer after key plays. Because he is an NFL quarterback on national television, many people have complained about his public assertions of faith.

It would be hard to find someone who would not

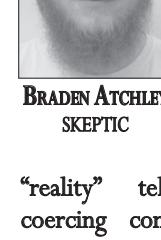
agree, although sometimes begrudgingly, that Tebow's and others' comments are protected by the First Amendment. A better question would be, Is it appropriate to make these kinds of statements?

Whenever a sports star or politician or other public figure makes a dogmatic statement, the biggest complaint from those who are offended by it is that America is a pluralistic society, therefore it is insensitive to say something which implies that others are wrong. What exactly do people mean when they say this, and is it a valid complaint?

The first part is certainly true and easy enough to understand. America is full of people who believe in different religions,

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Belief in paranormal is frightening



BRADEN ATCHLEY

SKEPTIC

For as long as the entertainment industry has existed, it has attempted to sell an alternate reality to the public. From "reality" television shows coercing conflict, cinematic historical reimaginings with a multitude of embellishments, to the advertisements in between them promising anything consumers wish, the business has indisputably been built upon a bed of lies and mistruths. Now, one of the entertainment industry's fabrications comes in the form of modern ghost shows.

To clarify for any who may have not seen or heard these paranormal investigation shows, they consist of a group of grown adults asking imaginary entities to "show

themselves" in some form or fashion and occasionally devolves into cursing at an empty room and running in terror at their shadow, but they do so in style. Paranormal investigators utilize the latest and most technical looking hardware they can get their hands on, however almost all of the pieces of technology they bring along are either misused or misunderstood.

Cameras, for instance, capture images from the visible spectrum of light meaning anything a human eye could see a camera could as well and vice versa. If cameras could capture other wavelengths of light, pictures would be nothing more than collages of vibrant colors. So any additional images in a picture, usually an "orb of ghastly energy," which are reflections of dust particles in the air from the flash of a camera, are either explicable photographic phenomenon

or are utter fakes such as the famous ghost of Abraham Lincoln picture caused by two images being exposed atop each other.

Infrared thermometers are used by ghost rustlers to detect "hot spots" which they believe are the manifestations of ghostly apparitions floating in the room. These "hot spots" also come in the form of a "cold spot" variety or any general type of "spot" they happen to spot. The problem with Infrared thermometers being used to measure the surface temperature of the air is that they do not do that. Infrared thermometers measure the surface temperature of everything except the air in the room. Any fluctuations in the temperature of the walls behind the air are either caused by heat given off by the investigators themselves or the piping and wiring that runs throughout homes.

Electronic voice phenomenon is the alleged recording of spirits speaking from the "other side." These recordings are said to be undetectable by the naked ear, but with a recording device one can play back the sounds of the dead. In an almost identical case to how cameras operate, recording devices are designed to record and play back only the frequencies humans can hear, otherwise recordings would be nothing more than garbled gibberish. Sounds recorded are audible when they were supposed to be recorded or added in post production in the editing studio.

Though these are three of the most frequent, there are many more instruments misused and misunderstood by the would-be ghost busters of the world. For as many paranormal investigators that

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GOP suffers from lack of solid choices

MURPHY MATTHEWS
STAFFWRITER

When one begins to think about November 2012, only one event immediately comes to mind, the Presidential election. Democratic President Obama has left many of his followers shaken by his lack of action and his ability to talk the talk but not walk the walk. With so many Americans finding more reasons to discredit President Obama, all eyes are turning upon the Republican Party. The only problem is this: what is America seeing

when looking at the potential Republican candidates? A man known for leaving terminally ill women, a multi-billionaire, an uber-conservative, or a man who some think is too old to even run. Let's face it: the choices are not that great.

While any politician has flaws, it would be incredibly shameful to vote for someone of this party simply because of its name. Mitt Romney is considered to be the favored candidate. However, he is a multi-billionaire who could wipe his mouth with \$100

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Voter ID will protect integrity of votes

ERIN HOWELL
STAFFWRITER

Due to the nearing presidential election, who to vote for is a concern at the forefront of many American minds. Few, however, realize that voting itself should be a concern as well. As more and more votes are tallied from the deceased, illegal and fictitious, voter identification becomes a rising controversy.

While some argue voter ID is an invasion of civil rights and privacies, it is simply not so. Most likely, John Doe,

who died ten years ago, would rather not cast a ballot with someone else's political ideals on it. Similarly, a tax paying citizen, or I, as a registered voter, would detest an illegal alien or non-registered voter voting on my behalf.

Taking into account the population alone in the 21st century, it's not likely the poll workers are going to recognize every voter they encounter throughout Election Day. So who's to say that I'm a Caucasian college student, not a 30-year-old Hispanic woman? The only way voting

fraud can be stopped is for identification to be presented at the polls.

Thirty states so far have passed laws requiring voter identification, however only 11 require photo ID. Of the other 20 states, four territories and District of Columbia, several have considered voter ID laws which have failed or are pending. Two of the 20 non-ID requiring states, Mississippi being one, have legally enacted a voter ID law as of 2011, but the effects have yet to be seen at the polls.

For those who oppose voter

ID, the last time I checked the constitution, voting was a right endowed to me, not someone pretending to be me, and it would be nice for the poll workers at my voting precinct to know the difference. My vote may be one in millions, but it still counts, and it should reflect my personal political convictions.

It is depressing when a large portion of Americans are more than willing to show photo ID for admission to a rated "R" movie, but are offended at the idea of showing it to keep their constitutional rights.

Government shouldn't regulate conscience

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As part of the healthcare mandate President Obama signed last year, all health insurance plans are required to cover preventive care free of charge. Preventive care for women includes various forms of contraception. While the President says that preventative care will help to reduce the overall cost of healthcare, some say forcing religious organizations to provide free birth control through an organization's insurance plan goes against religious liberty.

From childhood, Americans have been taught to be more than tolerant of minorities, but why is the government now neglecting to consider the

beliefs of the 90% of Americans with Christian affiliations? Most of the media says the birth control mandate is about women's rights, but some GOP candidates argue that this is not a war on women but a war on Religion.

"The President has apologized to Islamic extremists, while waging war on the Catholic Church," said Presidential Candidate Newt Gingrich.

The Catholic Church is against the use of contraception because they believe that God has planned every person that has ever or will ever live since before he said, "Let there be light." Therefore, preventing a birth is denying God of His will.

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United Nations Small Arms Treaty is too vague

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The United Nations Small Arms Treaty, also known as the Arms Trade Treaty, is essentially an international gun registry.

Originally, back in 2006, there was actually intent for an international oversight committee of all open international arms deals that would have had the authority to regulate the sale of everything from glocks to aircraft carriers, but understandably that did not go over well with Bush so it died. Its current incarnation is something of a mystery to me as there does not seem to be a pdf file available via Google or Yahoo of the actual content of the Treaty, so all my research has been limited to endless opinion articles. I also visited

the United Nations website for information. What I pieced together is an interesting saga that actually dates back to 1925 with the League of Nations by their own released documents, but I will spare the history lesson in favor of the more recent reality.

The current incarnation of the Arms Trade Treaty appears to be an attempt to set global manufacturing and trade standards on fire arms. With the lack of open information on what those standards will be, the honesty of this description is anybody's guess as we only have history to guide this discussion. What is known is that Hillary Clinton verbally endorsed this incarnation; the rumor that she actually signed it was a fraudulent chain letter that circulated the web and caused quite a stir. A

sample of the history of trends concerning the United Nations and fire arms reveals quite a bit of hypocrisy, for those looking forward to the signing.

An example of the hypocrisy of the United Nations and Gun Control is the famous, or infamous, Geneva Convention of 1949. The optimistic goal of this was to bind member nations to a more humane standard of conduct on the battlefields of the world, which history shows to be impossible for any length. The Geneva Conventions have been used historically to justify such actions as the downgrading of weapons' calibers by the United States' military and the emplacement of rules governing the humane use of high impact weapons like missile weapons. An example of these rules would

be that a soldier equipped with an anti-armor missile launcher cannot directly target enemy personnel, but he can target their equipment. Another example is the vague definition of the thin line between combat and murder that has been established with such rules as double tapping, which means when you are clearing a room of enemy combatants, you are allowed to execute such combatants as long as they are in front of you, but once you have passed them physically, it becomes murder as they have been legally re-categorized as noncombatants. The devil in the law of this establishment of International Humanitarian Law is that there are only 194 nations bound by it while the others can and do disregard it.

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SGA films a non smoking silent movie

AMANDA DECOSTA
STAFFWRITER

The Student Government Association has created a silent film to spread the news that JCJC is becoming a Tobacco Free Campus beginning July 1. The film will be unveiled this month on the plasma screens located across campus.

"We wanted to come up with a unique way to catch people's attention on campus and also introduce the policy with a humorous, fun feel," said Lauren Bradley, vice-president of SGA.

The 30-second short movie was shot in Jones Hall and took several hours to complete.

JCJC webmaster Jared Meyers directed the film after being asked by SGA advisor Sonya Davis to help communicate the Tobacco-Free policy.

"We decided on a theme, which was a silent film, which then progressed into a silent

film/fantasy type film. "The students were great to work with. Everyone worked really hard and did exactly what needed to be done to get a great product," said Meyers.

The members of the SGA, to fit the roles of a 1920's silent film, all dressed in the Smoke-Free t-shirts stating: "We Don't Watch to Choke, so Just Don't Smoke" with bow ties, suspenders and top hats. Just as the great Charlie Chaplin, a man who gave silent films their widespread popularity, each student stuck a faux mustache above their lip.

JCJC instructor John Burks provided the bow ties and even taught the girls how to properly tie them around the neck.

"I was actually approached by the Student Government adviser about providing the bow ties," said Burks. "As you know, this classic piece of neck wear

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Will Davis performs a scene in a silent film that will soon be on the campus plasma TVs. Photo submitted

The mystery of Bonnie Warren

MIKE DEAN
STAFFWRITER

I have been talking to a few girls lately, but it did not work out with any of them so my friends asked me what I was going to do. I told them it would be alright, I might still have one woman in my life. They asked who she was and I told them I don't know but she sends me messages every day.

There is a mystery woman on campus that everyone has heard of but not many have ever met, and her name is Bonnie Warren. Mrs. Warren is primarily known for keeping the campus up to date on current events and sending detailed messages to over 5,000 people up to a dozen or more times a day, some of which are sent before half of us wake up. There are even a number of people who wonder if she actually exists or if she is really a massive computer with artificial intelligence capable of handling such a task.

And where exactly can Bonnie Warren be found? It is rumored the she dwells in an underground lair where she masterminds these messages to the masses.

"She's on sub-level six of Jones Hall, that's where they keep the mainframe," said student George Harrison.

Unfortunately, there are some who are not so fond of the messages. One student even complained to the point that we wondered whether he would try to block or flag her messages as spam. But we figured that she could override his attempts, the messages would come through anyway, and that she cannot be stopped because she truly is a machine. So finally against my better judgment, armed to the teeth with a mechanical pencil, a note pad and my chemistry book, I set out to find this character of legend and mystery. The Bonnie Warren, of man or machine, or maybe both! I wondered if, to get to her, would I have to descend into the depths of a secret compound, built to house the super computer entity and keep separate this terminator of @jcjc.edu from the helpless people above? And when I get there, will I survive or will I be placed in a paper shredder for disturbing her? I said my prayers and continued my

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Bonnie Warren proves she is an actual human, not a computer. PHOTO BY THOMAS RONEY



Chad Pennington poses as Golum from Lord of the Rings. PHOTO BY NICOLE AINSWORTH

Ainsworth turns passion into career

AMANDA DECOSTA
STAFFWRITER

Makeup is often used to transform people, enhance features and glamour a scene. However, monster makeup completely alters the normal to be completely horrifying.

Since Edison Studios' version of Frankenstein was made in 1910, a raging obsession has trended with making monster movies. In that fog of people striving to bring fright to the scene is JCJC sophomore Nicole Ainsworth. She believes the overall chiller effect monster movies have on the audience is the realism presented by the actors. Although playing the role of a freakish, flesh-hungry monster is more complex than grunting and drool-

ing, the part that really makes these monster characters so life-like, or rather dead-like, is the special-effects monster makeup. Monster makeup is Ainsworth's passion.

As a photographer for the JCJC yearbook staff, Ainsworth has a keen eye for what works. Photography is about capturing something that really makes a statement, and monster makeup definitely makes a statement, one not many people can stomach.

"I'm not exactly sure when the epiphany of monster makeup came to me," Ainsworth said. "I've just loved Halloween and monsters since I was a little kid. The Nightmare before Christmas came out when I was two, and I watched it so much that I wore out the tape!

My mom had to buy me a new movie."

So far, her abilities as a monster makeup artist have been cultivated at fall festivals and Red Cross events, the haunted houses for the past three years at JCJC, Frightmare Forest in Sandersville for the past four years, and a zombie shoot with Blackbird Photography.

Jessica Martineaux, co-owner of Blackbird photography, said, "Ainsworth helped us out with a zombie shoot this past October. She did makeup for herself and a few others... Her help really sold our zombie feel. If we ever need realistic gut-wrenching gore again, we'll call her."

After graduating JCJC, Ainsworth plans to advance her skills in Pennsylvania by attend-

ing a specialty school focusing on special effects makeup.

"I would love to go to Hollywood and work for horror and sci-fi movies," she said. "I use my artistic talents frequently, but for now it's mainly for fun. I'm an art major, so of course I have to use it in my studio classes. I'm also very experimental with my own every day make-up, and I use it for special events at Jones, such as the Disco Dance we had and the Beatnik Bobcats. I've done leopard print eyes, bird makeup, the Mad Hatter, and Red Queen makeup before. My favorite thing I've kept as a somewhat tradition is being the bobcat lady at football games: Every home game, I paint up

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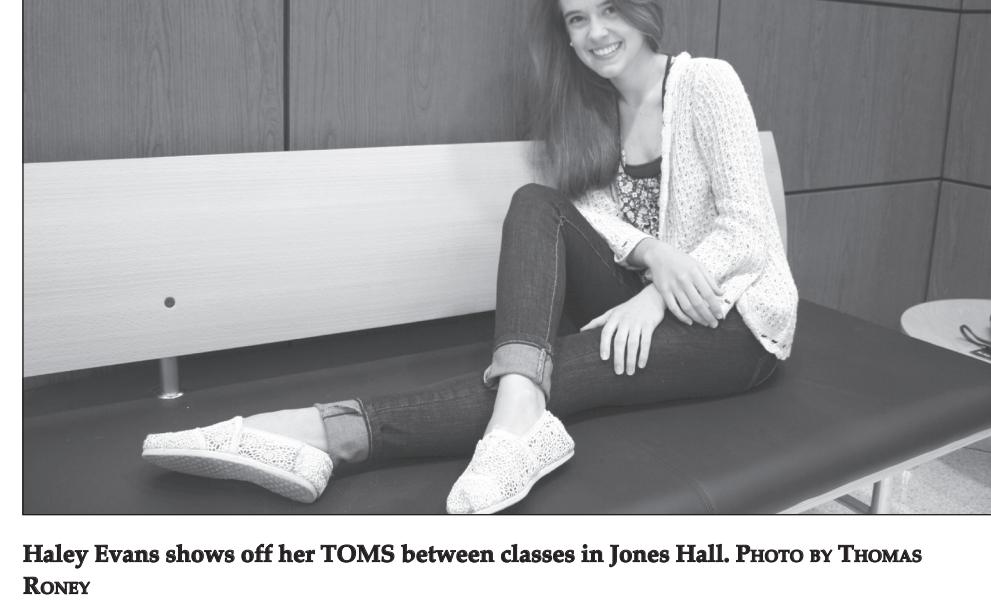
Students compare TOMS and BOBS

MANDALYN DALTON
STAFFWRITER

The new "It" shoe, TOMS, are sold by a charity foundation with a one-for-one policy: For every pair bought, one pair goes to a child in need. This noble cause was quickly taken over by the need to have the hottest shoes on the market.

But every great product has competition. In this case the competitor used the basic off-brand standard. Readily available and cheaper, BOBS can be found in almost any shoe store! And they too give one pair to a child in need. So what's the problem? Everything sounds good right?

"I think the one-for-one deal that both companies have is really good, but I would prefer a pair of TOMS anyway," said Kendal Smith, JCJC student. "BOBS are uncomfortable because they do not provide enough arch support. BOBS are not durable either. I busted



Haley Evans shows off her TOMS between classes in Jones Hall. PHOTO BY THOMAS RONEY

through the pair of BOBS I had within a month. I have had my TOMS for years and they have held up well. Buying BOBS instead of TOMS just is not worth the price difference."

People do not buy Prado instead of Prada. The point in a

fad is to be the big dog on campus. Unfortunately, although it is for a good cause, BOBS just do not hold up compared to TOMS.

TOMS regularly has events and functions based around charity for people in need.

April 10, 2012 is the One Day Without Shoes challenge. If Jones accepts the challenge, the college could possibly win a visit from TOMS founder Blake Mycoskie, hold a Fun

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Monica Silas helps the hearing impaired

MANDALYN DALTON
STAFFWRITER

Miming is one of the earliest methods of self-expression. Monica Silas, widely-known on the Jones campus as the face of the Student Success Center, started miming and signing in 1998.

"I love just helping the hearing impaired and hearing community and being a bridge for communication," said Silas.

Signing was an offspring to mime because that was her passion. Silas regularly mimes for church functions and has even traveled out of the country to communicate with the nonverbal. She has mimed in Puerto Rico and Jamaica with

groups and in Japan at a self-organized event. Most functions she attends as a mime are for a dance committee since in more recent years mime has been considered dance.

"It is an opportunity to give back to the community," said Silas. "It is very fun, and it's nice to learn a new language."

Silas translates for Jones students who are hearing impaired. She has also traveled the United States, recently visiting Houston, TX and Atlanta, GA to translate. She visits all these places and does all these amazing things for society. She went to school for signing but self-taught herself how to mime.



Monica Silas is a familiar face at the Student Success Center. PHOTO BY KATIE QUINNELL

Sports

Baseball enters April with an 18-9 record

ZAC CHAMBLEE
STAFFWRITER

On March 17, 2012, the JCJC baseball team hosted the Baton Rouge Community College Bears for an afternoon doubleheader. Jones entered the day 13-7 and the Bears entered 16-14.

In game one, Logan Riddell started for JCJC, and Kody Smith started for BRCC. Riddell (1-0), a sophomore, had pitched the second most innings on the team during the season.

Grant Authement of BRCC belted a double to left field to kick off the first inning. James Rachal then singled him home to give the Bears an early 1-0 lead. Later that inning, Zac Fowler and Chad Guice of JCJC picked up two RBI base hits to give the Bobcats a 2-1 advantage. In the second inning, Benji Sullivan singled home Zach Allen and Fernando Hamilton to push the lead to

4-1. Logan Riddell would settle down and strike out two consecutive BRCC batters in the third. The Bobcats would add two more runs after Tilur Smith and Cody Minter recorded crucial fifth inning RBIs.

The Bobcats lead 6-1 until BRCC's Matthew Willis and Grant Authement connected with two late hits. The Bears' run support was too late in the contest. Logan Riddell would hang on to earn the win after pitching six strong innings for the Bobcats.

In game two, Cameron Rose started for JCJC, and Jacob Trahan started for BRCC. Rose, who had pitched only one inning total before Saturday, is a sophomore from Oxford, MS. Trahan, the ace of BRCC's pitching staff, led the team with two wins and 12 strikeouts.

Rose quickly got to work in this matchup. He retired the first eight batters he faced. He

also received early run support in the form of a double by Zac Fowler in the first inning. JCJC had an early 1-0 lead, but Jacob Trahan began to crank up the heat. Trahan would retire 16 out of the next 17 Bobcat batters. Jesse Buratt of BRCC would drive in his team leading 21st RBI of the season to tie the game. Vito Perna, JCJC's star pitcher, gave the Bobcats hope with a fourth inning single, but Trahan could not be exposed. BRCC would take the lead in the fifth inning thanks to a clutch RBI single from Jacob Williams. Trahan would pitch a complete game for the Bears in a 2-1 BRCC win.

The teams split the Saturday doubleheader. Head Coach Christian Ostrander called the series split "a positive display of how great our pitching can be." JCJC picked up their 14th win and BRCC picked up their 17th win. Both squads showed great pitching and offense in their respective wins.



Zach Allen makes a double play helping JCJC win against BRCC. PHOTO BY RYAN PHILLIPS

Lady Bobcats step up to the plate

CHELSEA JORDAN
STAFFWRITER

This past month the Lady Bobcats have been giving their competitors something to worry about. On March 19, 2012 they came out with two shutouts against East Central. Not long after that they dominated Meridian Community College in a double header with scores of 10-0 and 4-2. Sophomore Ginger Lonergan pitched a four-hit shutout and struck out 12 to pace the Lady Bobcats. Freshman infielder from Seminary, MS; Karley Crosby hit three homeruns.

In their games at Pearl River on March 28, 2012 freshman outfielder from Shubuta, MS, Relanda McFarland smashed an over-the-fence grand slam home run, two singles and had four RBIs to lead JCJC. With Lonergan pitching in the first game she struck out six and only allowed two hits. The girls came out with two more wins.

The Lady Bobcats are still ranked No. 10, but maybe rising in the rankings with the season continuing. They currently have



Lauren Candies pitches v. Southwest. PHOTO BY RYAN PHILLIPS

24 wins and 3 losses out of 27 games. Their next game will be April 17, 2012 at Southwest at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.

The Lady Bobcats have had an outstanding season so far this year and they will probably continue to succeed throughout the rest of the season. "I think it is going to go really well, we've done good so far and if we just keep it up and have the same approach we've been having we can be successful," said freshman

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Lady soccer team ventures to Ireland

ACIE SMITH
SPORTS EDITOR

The JCJC women's soccer team had the opportunity to travel to Ireland during spring break and experience soccer in an Irish sense.

After arriving in Ireland the team began their adventure by touring the cities of Dublin and Belfast. Belfast Castle, Carrickfergus Castle, and "Cave Hill" were main landmarks that the team visited. Giant's Causeway gave the team the chance to walk across a rope bridge known as "Carrick-a-rede rope bridge."

"This was an amazing experience on a beautiful day. The girls loved it," said women's soccer coach Dolores Deasley.

The team got the opportunity to see and enjoy Deasley's homeland, Donegal. They went to a local farmyard where they had two hours of non-stop laughter while playing basketball in mud, playing paintball, sliding down man-made water slides and enjoying a man-made obstacle course.

"I absolutely enjoyed every minute we were in Ireland," said Kendal Smith. "In Ireland, you can definitely see the best of both worlds: rural and urban. I am glad I got to travel

with Dolores Deasley because she was able to show us the tourist sites, but we were still able to hang out with the locals and experience a typical day in Ireland. That's what I will remember the most about Ireland: the people I met while we were over here and the fun we had with them."

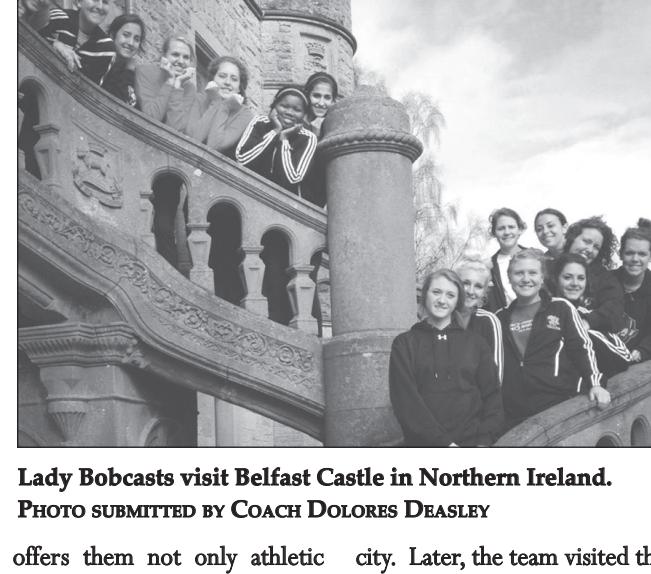
The girls visited the village of Drumkeen where Deasley grew up. They met the coach's family and played in a small tournament at a home club titled "Drumkeen United." The team won the tournament and got to experience soccer played in a different country.

After their win the girls learned Irish dancing and enjoyed a dinner given by the locals of Drumkeen.

"The girls were fantastic and represented JCJC in excellent style. I was proud of them," said Deasley.

Patti Smith, a JCJC English instructor, chaperone and parent on the trip, agreed with Deasley's assessment of the team.

"I can say without hesitation that the young women who encompass the JCJC soccer team are shining examples of their families, JCJC, Mississippi and the United States," Smith said. "Coach Deasley's program



Lady Bobcats visit Belfast Castle in Northern Ireland.
PHOTO SUBMITTED BY COACH DOLORES DEASLEY

offers them not only athletic development but also support and guidance as they grow into independent, intelligent, young women, knowledgeable citizens and tomorrow's leaders."

After their activities in Drumkeen the girls went to the counties of Galway and Clare where they took a boat ride and attended a Medieval Banquet. Sophomore player Sarah O'Quinn and her father were chosen to be King and Queen for the night of the banquet.

Over the next days the girls would spend time in the cities of Dublin and Galway shopping and exploring the

city. Later, the team visited the third largest stadium in Europe "Croke Park" which is home of the Irish Gaelic Games. They also visited Collins Barracks and Museum, which was the base for British soldiers during British Rule over Ireland.

The team finished their trip with an Irish farewell dinner in Arlington Hotel in the center of Dublin city.

Patti Smith said, "The beauty, the history, the family environment, and especially the young women with whom I shared this trip made for one of the most fabulous experiences of my life so far."

FCA gets involved

MURPHY MATTHEWS
STAFFWRITER

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes is a national organization that emphasizes the need to share Christ with athletes and coaches and further spread the word of God. Justin Graves, a graduate of Mississippi College, has been named the county director of FCA.

Upon being named director this past summer, Graves has implemented a more hands-on and mission-focused FCA. Throughout the year the organization has seen many missions to fruition and touched many lives throughout the campus.

In December of 2011, most of the sports teams decided to give a child in need a Christmas

he or she would not normally receive. All of the teams were able to unveil these gifts to the children before Christmas.

In addition to reaching out to the needy, Graves has become a regular in the locker-rooms and throughout campus. Bibles were donated to many of the athletic teams. Graves said the FCA wishes to provide every athlete on campus with a Bible. This Bible project is also one sweeping across many of the local high schools.

Some athletes have taken a particular interest in sharing testimony in the local area. Sophomore catcher David Walley spoke to Indian Springs Baptist Church about his walk with Christ. Another athlete reaching out is Krista Smith, a Lady Bobcat soccer player.

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Tennis brings the heat to the Eagles

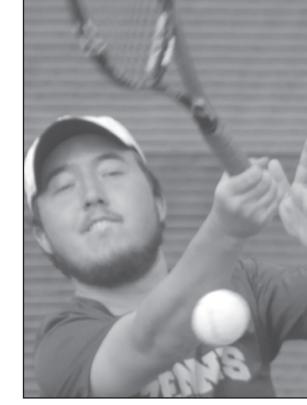
SHAWN WANSLEY
SPORTS INFORMATION DIRECTOR

RAYMOND — The Jones County Junior College tennis teams posted a pair of impressive 9-0 victories against Hinds Community College.

The Lady Bobcats are now 7-2 on the year, while the men improve to 6-3.

Lady Bobcats 9, Lady Eagles 0

In No. 1 doubles, Alicia Domoney and Rachel Jefcoat beat Natasha Grytsiak and Maria Gastrillo, 8-3. Brandy Freeman and Alison Rudolph beat Victoria Cook and Latoya Whitley, 8-1, in No. 2 doubles, while Amber Long and Aja White blanked Ashley Nowell and Frances Book, 8-0, in No. 3 doubles.



Casper Wansley strikes the ball. PHOTO BY RYAN PHILLIPS



Rachel Jefcoat slams the ball. PHOTO BY RYAN PHILLIPS

Bobcats 9, Eagles 0

Sam Thorold and Nick Williams took No. 1 doubles over Max Gunbin and Yevheniy Horbik, 8-5. Lee Butler and Josh Agee downed Gary Blissard and Alex Alexander, 8-3, in No. 2 doubles. Casper Wansley and Josh Lomas defeated Chris Harper and Esmond Fountain, 8-1, in No. 3 doubles.

In No. 1 singles, Thorold downed Horbik, 6-1, 6-3, while Williams defeated Gunbin, 6-3, 6-4, in No. 2 singles. Butler whipped Blissard, 6-1, 6-0, in No. 3 singles, while Agee blanked Alexander, 6-0, 6-0, in No. 4 singles. Wansley downed Harper, 6-0, 6-1, in No. 5 singles and Lomas defeated Book, 6-3, 6-2, in No. 6 singles.

Bobcat Basketball: Results of the State Tournament 2011-2012

MURPHY MATTHEWS
STAFFWRITER

Both Bobcat basketball teams competed in the state tournament held at Itawamba Community College February 27-March 1. Even though both teams fell short, they qualified for the Region 23 Tournament.

In the first round of

competition, the Bobcats competed against the 10th ranked East Mississippi Community College. The Bobcats maintained kept a close distance from the Lions at the beginning of the game, but the Lions were quick to jump to an early lead. The Lions would steadily apply pressure

to the Bobcats. Once the clock hit zero, the deficit had grew unattainable with the final being 103-70 in the Lions' favor.

In the first round of play for the Lady Bobcats, they faced Holmes Community College. The Lady Bobcats would hold the lead for most of the first half, but the Lady Bulldogs

would creep back into close range at halftime with the score being 40-38. Holmes had a 13-0 lead at the start of the second half, but the Lady Bobcats would strike back with some runs of their own. The game saw many lead changes, but the last 30 seconds of the game were the most exhilarating.

Jones had a one point lead when Holmes threw the ball and tried to attempt another pass, but JCJC's Sharnay Mills knocked the ball into her offensive end of the court, gained possession and made a layup with 2.6 seconds to go to put JCJC up by

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unless people care enough to stop a problem, such as disrespect to nature, the world will become a miserable unlivable place.

This entertaining movie has a great message and helps one think about resources. Would you buy an expensive china set, use it once, throw it away and buy a new one? Doubtful. So why do it with paper, cardboard or any other natural resource? When done with a plate, wash it so it can

be used again and again. So when you're done with paper why throw it away and never let it be used again? Recycle it.

Almost anywhere you go there is access to a recycling bin. Use it. Don't nourish landfills. Nourish mother nature and respect what a wonder gift we have.

This film is touching and humorous for people of all ages. It teaches children the amazing lesson of being ecofriendly in a way they can understand.

A must-see film for all ages and anyone who is stingy with the environment!

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promises to us as citizens," said Jones student VOICES member Scott Carter. "This was a great opportunity to be actively involved with lawmakers and to show how inadequately funded the community colleges are, as well as to show the faces of those who are affected by the budget cuts."

Later in the day, after receiving word on the economic uprising from the state economist, legislative democrats asked for an increase in money appropriated for

the educational fund, which would largely assist in gaining the \$76,972,460 needed for mid-level funding.

"The chance to go to our state's Capitol and to meet with legislators was a wonderful experience," Carter continued. "In this experience I have been able to gain an in-depth understanding of how our legislative process works."

Mid-level funding has been the first objective of the newly formed student VOICES group. The group hopes to grow in the future and continue to better the community and junior college system for Mississippi.

Bobcat Baseball takes one against SWCC

JOSEY BROWN
STAFFWRITER

The 16th-ranked Bobcats used some timely hitting to earn one win and one loss against Southwest Mississippi Community College March 31 at Community Bank Park. JCJC is now 20-10 overall and continues to lead the MACJC South Division with an 8-2 record.

Although JCJC took an early 3-0 lead in the bottom of the first it would not be enough to hold off the Bears of Southwest. Logan Riddell started pitching for the Bobcats and took the loss. He went 5-plus innings, gave up four runs, six hits, walked none and struck out four. Jeremy Kidd went the final two innings, giving up three hits, walking one and striking out one.

With Allen leading off with a double, Perna walked and Fowler hit an RBI single. Guice started the game being hit by a pitch and Minter drove in a run with a fielder's choice. Smith then hit an RBI single.

The Bears answered back in the third inning making the score 3-2. Schmidt led off with a

single and scored on McKenzie's triple to right-center. Hays' single scored Schmidt.

Southwest took the lead with three runs in the sixth. Kade Scivicque led off with a single and Aaron Moore followed with a double. Connor Goodspeed drove in a run with a single. Alex Marshall's fielder's choice then scored a run and Moore would score on an error to make it 5-3.

The Bobcats made it 5-4 in the bottom of the sixth. With two outs, Smith and Dedeaux were both hit by pitches. Hamilton then singled Smith home, but SMCC got a groundout to end the inning.

In the bottom of the seventh, Sullivan led off with an infield single and Perna walked.

Pitching for the Bears, Zach Rowell went six-plus innings and received credit for the win.

He gave up four runs, six hits, walked three and struck out three. Kendrick went the final inning and secured the win.

The Bobcats ultimately fell 5-4 to the Bears in game one.

Pitching for the Bobcats seemed very successful in Game two. Cody Brewer pitched two perfect innings in relief

of starter Cameron Rose and sealed the win for the team. Rose went the first four innings, allowing two runs, walking none and striking out three. Dylan Delaune pitched the final inning, allowed two hits and one strikeout.

In game two JCJC trailed 2-0 entering the third when they got on the scoreboard without even making contact with the ball. Zach Allen walked and took third on an error made by the first baseman when a pickoff throw by the pitcher went wild and came home on the same play when the ball was thrown away by the right fielder. The Bobcats tied it in the fourth when Cody

Minter led off with a walk and received a sacrifice out on second allowing Tilur Smith a single. Jay Dedeaux then singled and Fernando Hamilton hit a groundout allowing Minter.

The Bobcats then came through with clutch, two-out hitting in the fourth to take the lead.

Vito Perna had a one-out single and took second on a groundout by Zac Fowler. Chad

Guice and Minter followed with consecutive RBI singles to make it 4-2.

The Bobcats added four more runs in the sixth, with Dedeaux leading off with a double and was replaced by courtesy runner Jarrett Jenkins. With one out, Allen was hit by a pitch. Benji Sullivan then drove in a run on a fielder's choice. Perna then had an RBI single and Fowler followed with a two-run single.

Minter singled three times for JCJC, while Dedeaux doubled and singled. Perna singled twice, while Fowler and Guice added singles.

Johnny McKenzie and Luke Gipson each singled twice for the Bears. German Hays, Darron McKigney and Chance Schmidt added singles.

Trey Setzer pitched for the Bears, pitching four innings, allowing two runs, two hits, walking five, and striking out one. Relief pitcher Clint McDaniel took the loss. He pitched one inning, giving up two runs on three hits. Jody Lampton pitched one-third of an inning, giving up two hits and four runs. Kendrick went the final two-thirds of that inning, allowing two hits.

The Bobcats overcame a 2-0 deficit in game two and beat the Bears, 8-2.

Many filmmakers are receiving negative comments not only for releasing so many of these films over the past few years, but also about the considerably higher ticket prices customers must pay when they see a 3-D movie. In some theaters, a 2-D film ticket costs approximately \$7, while the cost for a 3-D film ticket costs about \$10.

Nevertheless, because there are still dedicated film fans who will see a great movie no matter what the price is, it seems that 3-D is here to stay. Like a legendary star, the magic that is three-dimensional imagery will never be forgotten by Hollywood.

the ghost stories she was told as a child are actually real and that many lurk within her very own Louisiana town?

Charlaine Harris does not only do vampire books. She is a seasoned author, has written several other series and has collaborated with several other authors on several novels. At the age of 60, Harris shows no signs of slowing down and has a few books scheduled for release this year.

but he also never puts anyone down. Plus, Tebow is a professional at something other than expressing his opinion. If Tebow should be silent and just play football, then Maher should certainly stop bashing and try just telling jokes.

Although a person telling you you're wrong isn't always pleasant, it is necessary for a good society and even for personal development. I say, let the war of the ideologies rage, and may the best dogma win.

he is seen as the only one with enough experience to do the job effectively. With difficulty earning sponsors and publicity like the other candidates, he is doubtful to win the nomination. However, unlike years before, Paul does seem to be gaining some underground popularity that could threaten other potential candidates.

As of right now, Romney is leading the Republican race for the Presidency. If the Republican Party wishes to change things, it needs to focus on garnering stronger candidates for the race. And if the Party cannot do so, it should focus on the strongest candidate and place all support behind him. A house divided cannot stand.

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tenants," said Youngblood. "It is the public eye, it would be a long time before this new dimension in filmmaking would become mainstream.

During the "golden era of technology" in the 1950's, with the release of films such as *Bwana Devil* and *House of Wax*, 3-D was on the rise. It was becoming so popular that Warner Bros. began talking to director Alfred Hitchcock about

filming his next project in 3-D because it was becoming such a success. Though Hitchcock was

not a fan of the idea, it wasn't long before he was convinced to do it. During its 1954 theatrical release, *Dial M for Murder* was shown in most theaters in the conventional 2-D format, as well as being briefly released in limited theaters as a 3-D movie.

Even though this film showed audiences more realistic looking images than the previous films had done, the phase began to die out slowly, as there was not enough money to fund the filming process since it was so much more expensive than making a 2-D movie.

However, it seems that lately filmmakers have been breathing new life into what was once

thought to be a passing fad. Even older classic films, such as *The Little Mermaid* and *Beauty and the Beast*, have been re-released into 3-D.

On April 4, the 1997 oscar-winning film *Titanic* is set to sail into theaters yet again so that old and new fans alike have the opportunity to experience the epic film like never before: in 3-D. Though *Titanic* is the main focus when it comes to older films coming to 3-D, another film, *Star Wars: Episode 1-The Phantom Menace* was re-released to 3-D on Feb. 10. Also, a three dimensional version of *Jurassic Park* is set to be released on June 19, 2013.

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role reversal that Harris uses is interesting because now the humans are the blood sucking monsters stealing the life force of an innocent vampire. But is there really such a thing as an innocent vampire? No, most definitely not. Harris's vamps are no Edward Cullen. Most of the vamps continue to drink human blood, murder, keep

humans as slaves and do other things typical of vampire lore.

Sookie meets and begins a relationship with a vampire named Bill. Bill is from the same town as Sookie but during the American Civil War, he was a Confederate soldier and he was made into a vampire while on duty. Forced to come to reality with his new existence as a blood sucking demon of the night, Bill refuses to entangle his family in his new undead

life and abandons them. Now that vampires are known to the world, Bill returns to his hometown and shows Sookie another side of the world she lives in. He even helps her control her telepathic ability so that she doesn't have to listen to everybody screaming in their heads all day. Sookie sees the darker side of the world she lives in, becomes a part of it and attempts to learn to embrace it. But can she really accept that many of

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philosophies, and ideologies. The second part is a little more hazy. Most of us learned very early in life that people do not like being told they are wrong. However, there are two reasons why this is not significant enough to justify keeping people from making dogmatic declarations. First, taking offense at views which oppose our own is a sign of weakness, not strength. If the

comments are spiteful, then anger is understandable. But if someone is simply stating their beliefs, then being offended merely reveals the listener's insecurity. Second, the ability to express ideas, even if they claim to be the exclusive truth, is as American as apple pie.

It is one of the things that make America unique. Unless you want to live like the countries that have laws against disagreeing with the government, then you have to be willing to give some slack to others, even when they

(gasp!) pray on TV.

For any of you who are still not convinced, here's a final thought. I've specifically mentioned Tebow, but there is another man who is famous for making dogmatic statements, and is very popular for it. Bill Maher, a comedian, has practically made a living off of bashing religion, especially Christianity. His views are just as dogmatic as Tebow's, but Tebow has a couple of qualities which Maher lacks. The quarterback never waters down his religious statements,

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dollar bills. With an unemployment rate continually climbing, many Americans don't understand how this man can relate to the struggles Americans are now facing. No one should blame the man for working for his fortune, but I do believe that it's hard to preach to the poor about how you understand their pain when money is not a problem for you and never will be. On a more positive note, Romney seems pretty set on separating his faith from the state, and that's exactly what the Republican Party needs to do.

Then, we have Newt Gingrich... Gingrich recently visited our campus, and I hope everyone got a chance to hear him speak. At one point in the speech, he spoke to the crowd about how you can't put a gun rack in a Volt. Obviously, he meant this to be aimed at the stereotypical, redneck Mississippian. And the Volt is an eco-friendly car that apparently us Southerners can't appreciate because we need our guns. I do not necessarily find it fair to judge a person based on a few mistakes in one's personal life; however, Gingrich abandoned a terminally ill woman. He could not handle that responsibility, so why trust him with the country?

Next on the list is Mr.

Conservative, Rick Santorum. Santorum recently swept the Deep South in the recent primaries. That's not really a shocker. Santorum's energy policy pushes for the removal of drilling bans on and offshore. All of his fellow potential candidates agree on this issue as well — more drilling equals less dependence on foreign oil. Santorum is not a bad person. Most speak of his kindness, but his positions on certain issues are clouded by his religious beliefs. He is just not the man for the job right now.

Lastly, we have the candidate that has been in the running since before I was born. Ron Paul is known, in some circles, as the "old guy who shouldn't even be running" or

Sophomore Art Show opens April 9



The 2012 Sophomore Art Exhibition will open on April 9 and end May 4. The eight exhibiting sophomores are Brandie Dyess of Bay Springs, Devin Fisher of Petal, Ashley Burnet of Walnut Grove, Mario Bolton, of New Augusta, Corey Rowe of Petal, Kayla Ishee of Laurel, Michelle Sessions of Little Rock and Shanquita Jones of Oxford. A variety of art forms will be on display including sculpture, ceramics, drawings, paintings, computer graphics and design projects. Several of the works on display were award winners at state competition, including Ashley Burnet's "Dog Painting" which received Best in Show.

- photo and information courtesy of art instructor Mark Brown

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get a television show, there are many more who do so in their spare time. Despite the fact that they scare the owners of the property they visit, they simply need to get their facts straight on how the mass

amount of equipment they haul around actually operates, but before pointing to an orb, an eerie noise caught on tape, or a "cold spot" and say ghost, one must first stop and determine if would be spirits actually produce the effects claimed before spouting spirits and jumping at your own shadow on national television.

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The President's fix to the Christian concern is that the religious organizations will not directly supply the birth control, but it will be supplied to women employees through the company's insurance coverage, a fix that religious leaders still are not happy about. The top Catholic Bishop in the US, Timothy Dolan, is vowing legislative challenges to the President's accommodations to the mandate.

Catholic institutions would be forced to provide free contraception to women, something Catholics are against. It is like PETA handing

out free hamburgers. The mandate would make a joke out of something Religious organizations stand for and believe in, even though free contraception is already available at certain clinics.

Also, is it not in the Constitution of the United States of America that people have religious freedom? Would America tell a Muslim woman that she has to dress like Britney Spears? No, that would be crazy.

If the government starts picking and choosing what religious beliefs people can have is not that controlling religious freedom in a land that has specifically guaranteed citizens in document the right to worship freely?

Softball

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Bethany Volking. It's going to be hard to compete with last season's success, but by the looks of it they are going to outshine and hopefully even

accomplish their goal for this season this year. "I think that if we keep working hard every day at practice that we can reach the goal we have set as a team. We play hard every game and it has paid off so far for us," said Volking.

FCA

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She spoke at a high school's FCA meeting, sharing accounts of her volunteer efforts in Haiti. She also urged all those in attendance to always be willing to reach out to

those in need.

While FCA focuses a great deal of time with the athletes, the organization also wishes to gain coaches' support. Head baseball coach Christian Ostrander spoke to the South Jones High School's FCA, explaining that a team

mentality shares many similarities with that of Christianity.

Graves spoke of how the group has already accomplished so many goals.

"At the end of this semester our mission projects will have included hosting local elementary students

tables. As he walks by, the students begin to choke from the "cigarette smoke" and fall out onto the floor. Although this is a silent film, the students did not hold back any animation in their acting.

Davis said, "I was under little pressure if any. Being the villain was hilarious to me because I was trying to act mean. I had never acted a day in my life so it was double funny. I felt like I could leap tall buildings in a single bound as long as that ever so free flowing cape was tied around my neck. The guys filming made us all very comfortable and relaxed. I have never smoked in real life. It's a nasty habit that leaves your breath smelling and your clothes equally rank of smoke."

The fantasy part really goes into

effect when the villain meets the "average student" played by Jenny Aust, who fights him throughout the building. Ultimately, thanks to the "average student" standing up against the hazardous smoke, the campus becomes clean and secure of all cigarette smoke.

Gwen Matuszewski, sophomore president, said, "I have a lot more respect for actors now! More work goes into making a film than I had ever imagined. Silent film takes the difficulty a step further. It takes true talent to convey all of the different feelings and emotions with only facial expressions."

Smokers need not be alarmed by the arising policy, which isn't meant to suppress liberty, but merely keep the campus inviting,

clean and safe to all students.

A \$10 fine will be administered to any student found smoking on campus after the policy takes effect, and 10 more dollars added to the toll each time afterwards. Smoking in a car is completely allowed, though. In an isolated area such as a car, the choice to smoke tobacco will not affect other students.

"I feel like this policy will be a great change to the campus. Students of all kinds can enjoy clean air. Maybe it'll even help some people with quitting," said freshman president DePaul Foxworth.

The short silent film can also be found online. Visit www.jcjc.edu to learn more.

Treaty

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with impunity.

Another example of this hypocrisy lies in the United Nations Security Council. Any given year, there are 15 seats in this prestigious establishment with five of them considered permanent seatings. The five permanent seats are the United States, People's Republic of China, The United Kingdom, France and the Russian Federation. The other ten currently are as follows according to the United Nations website: Azerbaijan, Colombia, Germany, Guatemala, India, Morocco, Pakistan, Portugal, South Africa and Togo. I'm sure most of you have never heard of a couple of these places, I myself have never heard of Togo in my life. The point here is who in

their right minds wants Colombia or Pakistan involved in world security? Do you really trust Red China to be unbiased in their enforcement of an Arms Trade Treaty?

The Human Rights Council of the UN is another fun item that ought to be illuminating on this subject of everlasting hypocrisy by the United Nations. The Human Rights Council is considerably more complex and diverse than the Security Council so I will spare the trouble of a complete list in favor of mentioning the more colorful members. Among these are Cuba, Mexico, China, the Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Jordan and Pakistan. I personally do not consider these nations to be good judges of what constitutes Human Rights given their track records, and anyone who wonders why need only

follow world news for about a week, or explore the gutters of Google for about an hour.

With all this covered, do we want to trust the United Nations with enforcing weapons sales laws? According to Luke Bailey in his sales pitch for the Arms Trade Treaty, more than 740,000 people are killed in armed violence on average every year. Well, according to the Census Bureau in 2009, about 36,000 people in America alone were killed or injured in motor vehicle accidents, and the World Health Organization cited that over a million were killed or injured worldwide through like means with similar data going back to 2000. What do they have planned to deal with that? Let's all ride bikes to end traffic accidents and end world obesity!

The United Nations

Conference for July 2012 will be in New York and Hillary Clinton currently intends to be in conference. She has never been a friend of the gun owner, nor has her husband. The National Rifle Association, a United Nations-sponsored entity since 1996, has been critical of the conversation surrounding this meeting and the possible content of the planned treaty. They claim it will merely be to set enforceable and equal standards on arms sales, but the previous incarnation intended to extend all the way to military vehicles, so what arms sales are they referring to? The same was true with manufacturing, so how will this affect the militaries of treaty members? Who will be enforcing it? Critical questions have yet to be answered and the lack of informed conversation is unsettling.

on campus for a weekly after school program, tornado relief work, volunteering at Mission at the Cross, visiting children at Blair E. Batson Children's Hospital, participating in World Vision's 30 Hour Famine, and cleaning up around a local family's home," said

Graves.

Even though the campus has already been changed by the FCA's involvement, Graves issued that the group is not finished by a long shot.

"By next summer, I want to be sending athletes to other parts of

the world as missionaries and again be in a position to fund most of, if not all of their trip," said Graves.

If anyone would like to donate to the local Bible projects or learn more about FCA, contact Justin Graves, county director for FCA, at Jgraves@fca.org.

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Tenacious D to drop May album



JOE POPE

COLUMNIST

May 15 will mark the much-needed end of Tenacious D's six-year absence from the music world with the release of their highly anticipated album, "Rize of the Fenix." "Rize" will be the comedy acoustic-rock duo's third studio release following 2005's "The Pick of Destiny."

After the commercial failure of the band's big screen debut, "Tenacious D in The Pick of Destiny," now somewhat of a cult hit, the D went on hiatus with Jack Black staying plenty busy in the interim with numerous films since the eponymous musical's box office flop. This left many fans wondering as to the state of Kyle Gass, the D's lead guitar player, and many wondered if there would ever be a reunion.

However, all of these questions are answered by the six-minute mega skit/music video "Be the Best," now on YouTube, which addresses all questions of the future of Tenacious D and the nature of their absence. The video

is certainly a comedic return to form for the duo and has a slew of celebrity cameos including Tim Robbins, Dave Grohl, Val Kilmer, Josh Groban and Jimmy Kimmel.

The band has announced a summer tour beginning May 23, with the date closest to JCJC on June 25 in Atlanta, GA at The Tabernacle.

The personnel for the album will of course have Black and Gass and will see the return of John Spiker on bass, John Konesky on electric guitar and long-time collaborator Dave Grohl on drums.

Any fans who are in doubt as to the legitimacy of the band after Black being so successful in Hollywood in recent years, and Gass being out of the game for so long, need only watch the video for "Be the Best" to be reminded of the glory of Tenacious D and assured of a promising and inevitably hilarious album.

The title not only sounds epic but also parallels the rising of the band from the ashes once more to bring gut-splittingly hilarious acoustic rock back to the ears of the true fans that have indeed mourned their absence.

Long live The D!

Basketball

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three. With the remaining time expiring, Holmes threw up a long-distance shot that fell short. The final would be 64-61, Lady Bobcats.

The Lady Bobcats continued to the next round where they met a familiar foe, Copiah-Lincoln. This was the fourth year in a row for the two teams to meet. The Lady Bobcats would jump to a quick 11-0 lead in the first quarter. The Lady Wolves would be behind until they tied the game 33-33 in the second half. With little over a

minute remaining, JCJC's Aultman would sink a three-pointer to tie the game at 50-50. With a few fouls and missed free-throws, the Lady Wolves held a 53-50 lead over the Cats. The Lady Bobcats would gain possession with 1.7 seconds remaining in the game, but a traveling call turned the ball back over. The game was over, and the Lady Bobcats had fallen short to their state tournament adversary.

In the first round of Regional play, both teams suffered defeats and were eliminated. The Bobcats lost to East Mississippi Community College while the Lady Bobcats were downed by Meridian Community College.

BOTDF switches to positive message



KRISTIN BLAIR

COLUMNIST

Starting off as a My Space band, Blood on the Dance Floor, was a simple one-man electronic music

movement from Orlando, Florida, formed by Dahvie Vanity.

Vanity was already well known from being a licensed hair stylist and frequently styled his own hair in crazy color and unexpected styles. After deciding to form a band, he began writing catchy lyrics backed with simple electronic beats. Though the lyrics were obscene, they seemed to catch fire quickly, and Vanity began building a strong fan base that demanded more. Eventually,

Vanity asked Garrett Ecstasy to join the band and he became the screamer, giving the band more of an edge. After foul play, Ecstasy was booted from the band and replaced with Jayy von Monroe.

Though the lyrics for the songs were once explicit and obscene, Vanity and von Monroe have recently begun spreading a message of love, unity, uniqueness and equality. With catchy electronic music mixed with heavy guitar, elements of screaming and trance-like beats, BOTDF mixes music with a positive message.

Von Monroe has speculated in several interviews that since the band has risen so quickly in popularity, they now have the chance to spread a positive message with their lyrics and have people listen in

hopes that they can save lives. Many teenagers have claimed that BOTDF has saved their lives by creating music that helped them realize they are not alone, that life does have meaning and that it is alright to be unique and different.

The band members themselves dress in an androgynous and erratic fashion that catches eyes. The band claims they do so because they like how they look. Piercings, tattoos, multi-colored hair, colored contacts and chains all fit into their wardrobe. They encourage their fans to be themselves and stay true to who they are.

Blood on the Dance Floor exploded onto the scene quite quickly after von Monroe joined the band. They have recently toured the entire United States and were also a part of the Vans Warped

Tour of 2011. The next tour is scheduled for April 2012, and afterwards the pair will be completing a world tour including Canada, Europe and the UK. The band has collaborated with many other industrial bands and has gained more popularity each day than any other non-signed artist in the past 20 years.

The first full-length album with von Monroe was titled Epic, and after its release, the duo wasted no time in completing the second album, All the Rage. The third album, Evolution, is scheduled for release in June 2012. The music of BOTDF is described as electronic, alternative and dance. They are similar in sound to bands such as Cinema Bizarre, Black Veil Brides, Kill Paradise, Breathe Carolina, Kerli, and Tokio Hotel.

Hinton

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works in the Business and Office Technology department and is an instructor in the paralegal program.

During the workshop, Hinton explained to the students the importance of having a clean format and how the small things make a difference because "a resume is what stands between you and your employer." Topics covered included the number

of references listed and how far one should date back his/her job history.

"Now I can make my resume with confidence," said freshman Vardie Ratliff. "I didn't realize how simple making a resume was."

Williams' students will use the workshop to make an appealing resume. "I want all of my students to be successful," Williams said. "There are resources available to all of my students who would like to use them. That's what the Success Center is here for."

Bowls

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The Scholars' Bowl is a quiz bowl type competition made up of 16 high schools in which four students from each school participated. The tournament covers all subjects ranging from math and social sciences to pop culture. Each team played eight rounds throughout the day.

The Scholars' Bowl included the following high schools: Green County, Laurel, Mt. Olive, Northeast Jones, Presbyterian Christian School, Quitman, Raleigh, Richton, Seminary, South Jones, Stringer Attendance

Center, Taylorsville, Tylertown, Wayne Academy, Wayne County and West Jones.

Hosted by the Math Division of JCJC, the Math Bowl is an annual event that creates competition among high school math teams from JCJC's eight-county district.

Topics in the competition range from percents, fractions, probability, statistics, algebra, geometry, trigonometry, pre-calculus, to calculus.

The 2011 JCJC Math Bowl was held at the ATC November 17, 2011. Wayne County High School won first place and Stringer Attendance Center won second place. The top four teams were Wayne County High School

in first, Stringer Attendance Center in second, Lawrence County High School in third, and Presbyterian Christian High School coming in at fourth.

The 2011 JCJC Math Bowl included the following schools: Collins, Enterprise, Greene County, Laurel Christian, Laurel, Lawrence County, Mize, Mount Olive, Northeast Jones, Perry Central, Presbyterian Christian High School, Quitman, Raleigh, Richton, Seminary, South Jones, Stringer Attendance

expenses at JCJC and are given in addition to any scholarships these students have already received or will receive at Jones.

Jessica Bunch, math bowl coordinator, said, "We were also able to present additional awards to our top two team competitors and their faculty sponsors-courtesy of our partners in the business community, as well as JCJC's Mu Alpha Theta (math honor society)."

If anyone has any questions regarding the competition, contact Jessica Bunch at jessica.bunch@jcjc.edu. For information about the next Scholars' Bowl, contact Caren Griffin at caren.griffin@jcjc.edu.

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MC/JCAIA State Art Competition



JCJC had four students place in the 2012 MC/JCAIA State Art Competition. Pictured is Ashley Barnett with her painting, "Dog," which won Best of Show. Also placing were Ashley Jenkins, second place, for her drawing, "Reclining Female," and Michelle Sessions, honorable mention, for graphic art titled, "Poster for Art Allegiance." Barnett also won first place and honorable mention for 3D Design and Sculpture pieces, and Hunter Langley received an honorable mention for his 3D design and sculpture piece, "Figure with a Bow and Arrow." Photo by TERESA MARTIN

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